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The reply filed on January 27, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The amendment cancels all claims drawn to the elected invention (*i.e.* SEQ ID NO: 71) and replaces them with claims drawn to a non-elected invention (SEQ ID NO: 12,223). In order to avoid abandonment of the application, applicants must include in the application at least one claim drawn to the originally elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to James Martinell whose telephone number is (571) 272-0719. The fax phone number for Examiner Martinell's desktop workstation is (571) 273-0719. The examiner works a flexible schedule and can be reached by phone and voice mail. Alternatively, a request for a return telephone call may be e-mailed to [james.martinell@uspto.gov](mailto:james.martinell@uspto.gov). Since e-mail communications may not be secure, it is suggested that information in such requests be limited to name, phone number, and the best time to return the call.

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